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SUBJ: CONGRESSIONAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON ATTENDANCE
BY AMERICAN CITIZEN AT UNIVERSIDAD DEL VALLE

REF: STATE 055682

CONGRESSMAN FUQUA INTERESTED

1. CONSULATE HAS CONTACTED THE UNIVERSIDAD DEL VALLE, UNIVER-
SIDAD DE SAN BUENAVENTURA, AND UNIVERSIDAD AUTONOMA DE
OCCIDENTE. WE HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL IN CONTACTING THE
UNIVERSIDAD SANTIAGO DE CALI AS THAT INSTITUTION IS CLOSED
ON STRIKE.

2. SCHOLASTIC YEAR FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS IS SEPTEMBER TO JUNE.
ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES FOR UNIVERSIDAD DEL VALLE ARE AS FOLLOWS:
REGISTRATION FOR THE 1976-1977 SCHOLASTIC YEAR TAKES PLACE
FROM 1 TO 21 JUNE 1976. ENTRANCE EXAMS ARE HELD IN THE MONTHS
OF JULY AND AUGUST AND INCLUDE FOUR TESTS: LANGUAGE,
MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE (PHYSICS, CHEMISTRY AND BIOLOGY), AND
HUMANITIES (HISTORY, GEOGRAPHY, LITERATURE, PHILOSOPHY AND
SPELLING). THE LATTER EXAMINATION EMPHASIZES QUESTIONS ON
GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY, LITERATURE AND ADMINISTRATIVE POLITICAL
ORGANIZATION OF COLOMBIA. APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION MUST BE
SENT TO THE OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS, UNIVERSIDAD DEL VALLE,
APARTADO AEREO 2188, CALI, COLOMBIA.

3. APPLICATION COST IS 20 DOLLARS& TUITION IS 600 DOLLARS PER
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MAY BE OBTAINED ON SAME FROM THE DEAN OF STUDENTS. THE UNIVERSITY ESTIMATES A MINIMUM MONTHLY SUPPORT OF 60 DOLLARS AND AN ADDITIONAL 60-80 DOLLARS PER YEAR FOR BOOKS. IT IS HIGHLY DOUBTFUL THAT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR AMERICAN STUDENTS COULD BE ARRANGED. SCHOLARSHIPS ARE OBTAINED THROUGH ICETEX (INSTITUTO COLOMBIANO DE CREDITO EDUCATIVO) - CALLE 13 NO.5-30, PISO 3, CALI, COLOMBIA. THERE ARE NINE U.S. CITIZEN STUDENTS ATTENDING UNIVERSIDAD DEL VALLE THIS SCHOOL YEAR: THREE IN MEDICAL SCHOOL, THREE IN ENGINEERING, ONE IN ARCHITECTURE, ONE IN EDUCATION, AND ONE IN HUMANITIES.

4. THE OTHER INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 1, MAY BE PRESUMED TO HAVE GENERALLY THE SAME ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES AND COSTS. NO U.S. STUDENTS ARE ATTENDING ANY OF THE OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

5. THE UNIVERSIDAD DEL VALLE HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY MARXIST ORIENTED DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS AND RECEPTIVITY TO AMERICAN STUDENTS CORRESPONDINGLY LESS CORDIAL. THE UNIVERSIDAD DEL VALLE STUDY PROGRAM IS SUBJECT TO PROLONGATION AS A RESULT OF TIME LOST BY STUDENT STRIKES.

6. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE NO U.S. STUDENTS AT THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSIDAD DE SAN BUENAVENTURA, THAT UNIVERSITY IS NOT POLITICIZED AND CONSEQUENTLY WOULD OFFER A MORE NORMAL STUDY SCHEDULE.

7. BROCHURES AND LITERATURE ON THE THREE UNIVERSITIES ARE BEING POUCHED TO THE DEPARTMENT TODAY.
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